647 kg/ha. respectively.

(d) The roughly estimated installed capacity of cashew processing units in the country is around 5.32 lakh tonnes of raw cashewnut. Information on Capacity utilisation is not available.

(e) The quantity and value of raw nuts imported and export of cashew kernel respectively for the last three years are given below:

Year	Import of raw cashewnuts		Export of cashew kernels	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
	(tonnes)	(Rs. in crore)	(tonnes)	(Rs. in crore)
1990-91	82,639	134.00	49,812	441.40
1991-92	1,06,322	266.43	64,692	668.45
1992-93	1,33,293	360.28	53,241	745.13

@ Previously Unstarred Question 539 transferred from 29-7-93.

Shrimp prawn harvest in A.P.

@@1525. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that large quantities of shrimp prawn are harvested every year in the coastal Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details of the quantity produced, foreign exchange earned, the number of people employed etc.;

(c) whether it is also a fact that there is no worthwhile Central Agency to guide and advice the farmers currently involved in prawn culture; and

(d) if so, whether Government have any proposals or schemes to strengthen the extension work in this field?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details pertaining to the year 1991 are as follows:

(i) quantity produced	—9172 tonnes
(ii) foreign exchange earned	—Rs. 137.1 crore
(iii) number of people employed	—direct: 10,075 —indirect: 30,000

(c) and (d) There are a number of organisations/institutions such as, Fish Farmers' Development Agencies (FFDAs) established in the coastal districts of the State, Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA), Central Institute of Fisheries Education (CIFE) and Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) which guide and advise the coastal farmers of the State. In addition, the World Bank assisted Shrimp and Fish Culture Project launched during 1992-93 and being implemented in Andhra Pradesh alongwith four other States, has provision for guiding and training of the shrimp farmers of all the project States.

@@ Previously Unstarred Question 276 transferred from 28-7-93.

Damage of Rabi Crops in Pratapgarh District

1526. SHRI BISHAMBHAR NATH PANDE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that crops in Pratapgarh District was badly damaged by hailstorm;

(b) if so, the details of the damages thereof; and

(c) whether Government have conducted any survey of the damage for waiving off land revenue from affected farmers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Calamities Relief Fund

1527. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount set apart for Calamity Relief Fund;

(b) the names of the states which have sought assistance from the fund and when;

(c) whether it is a fact that some states have complained about the inadequacy of the fund; and

(d) if so, steps taken to augment the fund?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) A Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) with an annual corpus of Rs. 804.00 crores has been constituted to enable the State Governments to undertake relief measures in the wake of natural calamities. The CRF is contributed by the Central and State Governments in the ratio of 3 : 1. The Central share of CRF is released to the State Governments in four quarterly instalments. A statement indicating the annual allocation of CRF to various States is enclosed (*see* below).

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The 10th Finance Commission is reviewing the existing system of financing relief expenditure.

Statement

Contribution to Calamity Relief Fund of the States in each of the five years commencing from 1st April, 1990 Centre's Contribution and States Share

(in crores of Rupees)

States	Amount of Annual contribution to the Calamity Relief Fund of each State	Centres Contribution	States Share
1. Andhra Pradesh	86.00	64.50	21.50
2. Arunachal Pradesh	2.00	1.50	0.50
3. Assam	30.00	22.50	7.50
4. Bihar	35.00	26.25	8.75
5. Goa	1.00	0.75	0.25
6. Gujarat	85.00	63.75	21.25
7. Haryana	17.00	12.75	4.25
8. Himachal Pradesh	18.00	13.50	4.50
9. Jammu & Kashmir	12.00	8.00	3.00
10. Karnataka	27.00	20.25	6.75
11. Kerala	31.00	23.25	7.75
12. Madhya Pradesh	37.00	27.75	9.00
13. Maharashtra	44.00	33.00	11.00
14. Manipur	1.00	0.75	0.25
15. Meghalaya	2.00	1.50	0.50
16. Mizoram	1.00	0.75	0.25
17. Nagaland	1.00	0.75	0.25
18. Orissa	47.00	35.25	11.75